



MAIL STOP AMENDMENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Kennedy et al.

Attorney Docket No. ACAT-1-1015

Serial No.: 10/749,320

Group Art Unit: 3612

Filing Date: December 29, 2003

Examiner: Pedder, Dennis H.

Title: MULTI-POSITION FENDERS

**AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER**

TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

A. Amendment Transmittal

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- (1) Response to Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment and Notice Requiring Excess Claims Fee;
- (2) Replacement Amended Claims;
- (3) Check No. 15560 in the amount of \$850.00 Excess Claim Fee;
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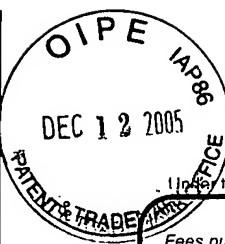
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 Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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Application Type	FILING FEES		SEARCH FEES		EXAMINATION FEES		Fees Paid (\$)
	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	
Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100	
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0	

**2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES****Fee Description**

Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)

Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues)

Multiple dependent claims

Total Claims	Extra Claims	Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)
- 20 or HP =	x	=		50	25
HP = highest number of total claims paid for, if greater than 20.				200	100
Indep. Claims	Extra Claims	Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)	360	180
- 3 or HP =	x	=			

HP = highest number of independent claims paid for, if greater than 3.

**3. APPLICATION SIZE FEE**

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**4. OTHER FEE(S)**

Non-English Specification, \$130 fee (no small entity discount)

Other (e.g., late filing surcharge): Excess Claims after Amendment

\$850.00

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**RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT AND NOTICE  
REQUIRING EXCESS CLAIM FEES**

TO THE COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS:

The following is responsive to the Communication dated November 17, 2005 including a Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment and a Notice Requiring Excess Claim Fees. Enclosed herewith please find a listing of the claims that include the text of all pending claims, including withdrawn claims. This listing should replace that submitted in applicant's Response to Office Action filed on November 9, 2005.

With regard to the Notice Requiring Excess Claim Fees, in applicant's Amendment transmittal letter authorization was given to charge fees as needed. However, in order to expedite and expressly set forth a Response to the Notice, applicant transmits herewith the fee payment of \$850.00 as set forth in the notice.

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